

Egremont Board of Health

Thursday August 13, 2020 10:00 am

Zoom meeting

In Attendance: Charles Ogden, Chairman, Dr. William Rose, Ellen Maggio

Recording: Juliette Haas, Director

- 1) Chairman Ogden called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. The minutes from the July 23, 2020 meeting were adopted with minor corrections (2-0).
- 2) **Walley/5 Prospect Lake Road** Wilkinson and Sons Excavating will soon be installing the upgraded system at this property.
- 3) **Recent Food Inspections:**
 - The Barn ó Corrective action taken on minor violations. Required additional sink has been installed.
 - The Old Mill ó Corrective action taken on minor violations.
 - North Egremont Store ó Nancy Ruderman and Jayne Smith performed inspection. The self-serve toast and bagel station has been removed, per COVID orders.
 - Country Market ó Inspection performed. No violations noted.
 - Egremont Village Inn ó Food service is greatly reduced due to COVID. Corrective action taken on one minor violation noted.
 - Inn at Sweetwater Farm ó Nancy Ruderman made two attempts to perform inspection finding no one at home each time.
- 4) **Smoking policies in restaurants with new or expanded outdoor seating** The Barn and John Andrews have designated smoking sections away from their dining areas. Director Haas will check with Swiss Hutte.
- 5) **Flu Clinic** Director Haas reported that the Alliance will be holding flu clinics with our Public Health Nurse as they have in past years. Due to COVID-19 it was felt the flu clinic should be held outdoors and not at Town Hall. Director Haas will discuss this with the Select Board at their next meeting and hopefully get their approval to hold the Egremont Flu Clinic at French Park.
- 6) **COVID**
 - Schools** ó Reopening plans for either in-person, at home, or a hybrid of the two are soon due to the state. Director Haas did attend a Zoom meeting with SBRSD Superintendent Beth Regulbuto and Sheffield BOS/BOH.
 - Community Communications** ó In light of the current low (1.4%) Massachusetts COVID positive rates and even lower (0.5%) Berkshire County positive rates, the Board would like to continue to offer communications to the community through the various email and social media forums. Chairman Ogden felt the newly released color-coded infection rate state map would make a good message. Director Haas will create a draft and email to the full board for review.
- 7) Meeting adjourned 11:03 am. Next meeting will be Thursday August 27 at 10:00 am.

Approved
Juliette Haas
9/10/2020